GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3461
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VIOLENCE IN JHARKHAND
C. SREENIVAASAN;GADDE RAMAMOHAN;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have taken note of the continuos violence in Jharkhand over the New domicile policy recently announced by the State Government of Jharkhand;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Central Government to contain the violence in Jharkhand to avoid any untoward incidence having a bearing on the Union of India?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a)&(b): The Central Government has taken note of the violence that erupted recently against and in support of the reported `domicile policy` of the Government of Jharkhand. The misunderstanding leading to violence was created due to adoption of the circular dated 3rd March, 1982 issued by the then Government of Bihar which had defined the `local residents` as those having their names or their ancestors` names recorded in the `Records of Right` as per the last survey report and priority to the `locals` in employment at the district level. No `new domicile policy` has been framed by the Government of Jharkhand. The violence has since been contained and situation is being kept under watch.

(c): The Central Government is in constant touch with the State Government and the situation is being monitored. The State Government has also been advised to maintain peace and law and order at all cost.